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## **ALBUQUERQUE MAN SENTENCED TO 51 MONTHS IN PRISON FOR FELON IN POSSESSION OF A FIREARM**

PHOENIX – Dewayne Parrish, 24, of Shiprock, Ariz. and Albuquerque, New Mexico, was sentenced yesterday by U.S. District Judge Frederick J. Martone to 51 months in federal prison. Parrish pleaded guilty on November 14, 2008 to being a felon who possessed a firearm. The incident occurred on the Navajo Nation.

On March 24, 2008 Parrish waived a pistol around at some boys who reported the incident to tribal police. The tribal police in Kayenta, Ariz. arrested Parrish, who has a prior conviction for burglary and cannot legally possess a firearm.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Kayenta Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Flagstaff, Ariz. The prosecution was handled by Roger Dokken, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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